

## Summary of Findings

- 1) Research by Cambridge Systematics (2007) finds that Orange County is poised to gain almost 23,000 jobs by 2020.
  - a. Job increases in sectors of the economy that Orange County has traditional strengths:
    - FIRE (Finance, Insurance, Real Estate)
    - Services (especially Business & Professional Services)
    - Tourism
  - b. Industries that benefit from wide commuter-sheds of potential employees or customers are most interested in locating near rail stations.
- 2) Orange County will particularly benefit from High Speed Trains providing an additional means for tourists to visit Orange County's attractions (Disneyland Resort, Knott's Berry Farm, Anaheim sports venues, Orange County beaches) to arrive from locations across California
  - Over 31 million tourists visit Orange County each year
  - Tourists spend, on average, \$100.10 per day generating \$506 million in taxes annually
  - The tourism industry which is responsible for over 86,000 jobs in Orange County
- 3) Direct Impact for Orange County:
  - Anaheim stop would be at Anaheim Regional Transportation Intermodal Center (ARTIC)
  - Construction of the tracks through Orange County could result in between \$2 and \$3.6 billion in local economic benefit

### Air Travel Commuter Cost Savings

	San Francisco	Sacramento	San Jose	Fresno	Total
Direct Cost Savings	\$10,840,500	\$6,862,000	\$3,504,000	\$1,441,750	\$22,648,250
Indirect Costs Time Saved	(\$282,000)	\$188,000	\$52,000	\$323,000	\$281,000

### 4) Automobile Travel Commuter Cost Savings

	Los Angeles	Burbank	Palmdale	Bakersfield	Fresno	San Francisco	Total
Direct Cost Savings	(\$410,000)	(\$182,500)	(\$73,000)	\$91,250	\$255,500	\$602,250	\$283,500
Indirect Costs Time Saved	\$732,875	\$86,122	\$75,683	\$83,512	\$161,805	\$602,852	\$1,742,849

- 5) Commercial/goods movement cost savings will from freeing up capacity at John Wayne due to legal restrictions on airport use and demand for alternative travel methods (e.g. El Toro Airport)
  - a. Air cargo
  - b. Additional flights to other locations
  - c. Cut costs for current flights at John Wayne Airport with greater supply of flights
- 6) Enhanced tax revenue for local governments of Orange County and the State of California returning tax dollars to Orange County in for increased services.
  - a. Assuming current tax rates...Tax revenue to increase by nearly \$103 million by 2030
- 7) Additional Benefits
  - a. Environmental Benefits in carbon dioxide emissions reductions
  - b. Land use would be 1.3% more efficient across California if network is built
  - c. Health Benefits—more commuters walking through taking public transportation
  - d. Safety Benefits—fewer people on the road commuting but instead on trains
- 8) Public support for transit infrastructure improvement:
  - a. September 2005: 61.2% consider it "Very Important"
  - b. February 2006: 61.6% consider it "Very Important"